REMARKS

A substitute specification is submitted herewith for publication purposes. The substitute specification reflects all of the amendments made in this Preliminary Amendment. No new matter has been added to the specification.

The Applicant has made certain voluntary amendments to the claims whereby the claims are written in accordance with the practice in the United States. All of these amendments were voluntary amendments and none of the amendments were required for purposes of patentability. Thus, Applicant is entitled to the application of the doctrine of equivalents with respect to these amendments.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to enter into the record the above amendments prior to calculating the filing fee on the application referenced above.

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